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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 587

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 587 on page 1, by  
3 replacing line 4 with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 5-1005 and"; and

6 on page 1, immediately below line 5, by inserting the  
7 following:

8 "(55 ILCS 5/5-1005) (from Ch. 34, par. 5-1005)  
9 Sec. 5-1005. Powers. Each county shall have power:

10 1. To purchase and hold the real and personal estate  
11 necessary for the uses of the county, and to purchase and  
12 hold, for the benefit of the county, real estate sold by  
13 virtue of judicial proceedings in which the county is  
14 plaintiff.

15 2. To sell and convey or lease any real or personal  
16 estate owned by the county.

1           3. To make all contracts and do all other acts in  
2 relation to the property and concerns of the county  
3 necessary to the exercise of its corporate powers.

4           4. To take all necessary measures and institute  
5 proceedings to enforce all laws for the prevention of  
6 cruelty to animals.

7           5. To purchase and hold or lease real estate upon which  
8 may be erected and maintained buildings to be utilized for  
9 purposes of agricultural experiments and to purchase, hold  
10 and use personal property for the care and maintenance of  
11 such real estate in connection with such experimental  
12 purposes.

13           6. To cause to be erected, or otherwise provided,  
14 suitable buildings for, and maintain a county hospital and  
15 necessary branch hospitals and/or a county sheltered care  
16 home or county nursing home for the care of such sick,  
17 chronically ill or infirm persons as may by law be proper  
18 charges upon the county, or upon other governmental units,  
19 and to provide for the management of the same. The county  
20 board may establish rates to be paid by persons seeking  
21 care and treatment in such hospital or home in accordance  
22 with their financial ability to meet such charges, either  
23 personally or through a hospital plan or hospital  
24 insurance, and the rates to be paid by governmental units,  
25 including the State, for the care of sick, chronically ill  
26 or infirm persons admitted therein upon the request of such

1 governmental units. Any hospital maintained by a county  
2 under this Section is authorized to provide any service and  
3 enter into any contract or other arrangement not prohibited  
4 for a hospital that is licensed under the Hospital  
5 Licensing Act, incorporated under the General  
6 Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, and exempt from taxation  
7 under paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of Section 501 of the  
8 Internal Revenue Code.

9 7. To contribute such sums of money toward erecting,  
10 building, maintaining, and supporting any non-sectarian  
11 public hospital located within its limits as the county  
12 board of the county shall deem proper.

13 8. To purchase and hold real estate for the  
14 preservation of forests, prairies and other natural areas  
15 and to maintain and regulate the use thereof.

16 9. To purchase and hold real estate for the purpose of  
17 preserving historical spots in the county, to restore,  
18 maintain and regulate the use thereof and to donate any  
19 historical spot to the State.

20 10. To appropriate funds from the county treasury to be  
21 used in any manner to be determined by the board for the  
22 suppression, eradication and control of tuberculosis among  
23 domestic cattle in such county.

24 11. To take all necessary measures to prevent forest  
25 fires and encourage the maintenance and planting of trees  
26 and the preservation of forests.

1           12. To authorize the closing on Saturday mornings of  
2 all offices of all county officers at the county seat of  
3 each county, and to otherwise regulate and fix the days and  
4 the hours of opening and closing of such offices, except  
5 when the days and the hours of opening and closing of the  
6 office of any county officer are otherwise fixed by law;  
7 but the power herein conferred shall not apply to the  
8 office of State's Attorney and the offices of judges and  
9 clerks of courts and, in counties of 500,000 or more  
10 population, the offices of county clerk.

11           13. To provide for the conservation, preservation and  
12 propagation of insectivorous birds through the expenditure  
13 of funds provided for such purpose.

14           14. To appropriate funds from the county treasury and  
15 expend the same for care and treatment of tuberculosis  
16 residents.

17           15. In counties having less than 1,000,000  
18 inhabitants, to take all necessary or proper steps for the  
19 extermination of mosquitoes, flies or other insects within  
20 the county.

21           16. To install an adequate system of accounts and  
22 financial records in the offices and divisions of the  
23 county, suitable to the needs of the office and in  
24 accordance with generally accepted principles of  
25 accounting for governmental bodies, which system may  
26 include such reports as the county board may determine.

1           17. To purchase and hold real estate for the  
2 construction and maintenance of motor vehicle parking  
3 facilities for persons using county buildings, but the  
4 purchase and use of such real estate shall not be for  
5 revenue producing purposes.

6           18. To acquire and hold title to real property located  
7 within the county, or partly within and partly outside the  
8 county by dedication, purchase, gift, legacy or lease, for  
9 park and recreational purposes and to charge reasonable  
10 fees for the use of or admission to any such park or  
11 recreational area and to provide police protection for such  
12 park or recreational area. Personnel employed to provide  
13 such police protection shall be conservators of the peace  
14 within such park or recreational area and shall have power  
15 to make arrests on view of the offense or upon warrants for  
16 violation of any of the ordinances governing such park or  
17 recreational area or for any breach of the peace in the  
18 same manner as the police in municipalities organized and  
19 existing under the general laws of the State. All such real  
20 property outside the county shall be contiguous to the  
21 county and within the boundaries of the State of Illinois.

22           19. To appropriate funds from the county treasury to be  
23 used to provide supportive social services designed to  
24 prevent the unnecessary institutionalization of elderly  
25 residents, or, for operation of, and equipment for, senior  
26 citizen centers providing social services to elderly

1 residents.

2 20. To appropriate funds from the county treasury and  
3 loan such funds to a county water commission created under  
4 the "Water Commission Act", approved June 30, 1984, as now  
5 or hereafter amended, in such amounts and upon such terms  
6 as the county may determine or the county and the  
7 commission may agree. The county shall not under any  
8 circumstances be obligated to make such loans. The county  
9 shall not be required to charge interest on any such loans.

10 21. To appropriate and expend funds from the county  
11 treasury for economic development purposes, including the  
12 making of grants to any other governmental entity or  
13 commercial enterprise deemed necessary or desirable for  
14 the promotion of economic development in the county.

15 22. To lease space on a telecommunications tower to a  
16 public or private entity.

17 23. In counties having a population of 100,000 or less  
18 and a public building commission organized by the county  
19 seat of the county, to cause to be erected or otherwise  
20 provided, and to maintain or cause to be maintained,  
21 suitable facilities to house students pursuing a  
22 post-secondary education at an academic institution  
23 located within the county. The county may provide for the  
24 management of the facilities.

25 All contracts for the purchase of coal under this Section  
26 shall be subject to the provisions of "An Act concerning the

1 use of Illinois mined coal in certain plants and institutions",  
2 filed July 13, 1937, as amended.  
3 (Source: P.A. 95-197, eff. 8-16-07; 95-813, eff. 1-1-09.)".